

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks.

Claims 1-32 are pending in this Application. Claims 1-18, and 20-32 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,362,730 Razavi et al. ("Razavi"), in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,953,319 to Dutta et al. ("Dutta"). In the Office Action, claim 19 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

In the present Amendment, claims 1-18 and 20-32 are cancelled without disclaimer or prejudice. In accordance with Examiner's suggestion, claim 19 has been amended to include all the features of the original base claim 17 as well as those of dependent claim 19. Accordingly, Applicants submit that claim 19, and all the dependent claims thereto, are in condition for allowance. Additionally, in the present Amendment, new claims 33-54 have been added and are believed to recite allowable subject matter. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and allow new claims

Figure 2 has been Amended to correct a minor error.

The specification has been amended to correct a typographical error.

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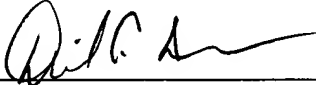
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In view of the foregoing all of the claims in this case are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions or determine that any further action is desirable to place this application in even better condition for issue, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicants' undersigned representative at the number listed below.

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